

Summer 2023 – Week 1 Morning Prayers



Dates of Interest this week - 17th to 21st April

- 15th April World Art Day
- 16th April Divine Mercy Sunday
- 16th April World Voice Day
- 18th April International Day for Monuments and Sites
- 19th April St Alphege of Canterbury
- 20th April Volunteer Recognition Day
- 21st April St Anselm of Canterbury
- 23rd April 3rd Sunday of Easter
- 23rd April World Book and Copyright Day

Chaplaincy on Social Media

"From a School Chaplain" on Facebook

"Prayerful Pause" on YouTube

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Each morning an act of worship should be made. This can be led by yourself or a pupil and can be made up of prayers from this booklet, www.richardchalloner.com/chaplaincy, or both.

Guidance on best practice for Morning Prayer can be found here.

A selection of Catholic Prayers to use in Morning Prayer can be found here.

Prayers for Morning Worship - 17th to 21st April

Theme for the week - Safety of Others

We pray lord for those on their way to work,

For the emergency services who will travel at high speed

on land water or air to bring help to others.

For those starting a new life as they move house;

For those travelling to or from prison;

For those people who go into hospital today;

For young people on their way to school, college or university;

For those who are lost on the journey of life;

For those who will die today and make their final journey;

On all these people Lord we ask your blessing. Amen

(Nicholas Hutchinson)

God keep you in the fellowship of his saints.

Christ protect you by the ministry of his angels.

The spirit makes you holy in God's service;

And the blessing of God almighty,

The father, the son and the Holy Spirit

Be upon you and remain with you always.

(Michael Perham)

We pray for world peace,

that ways of aggression and violence against fellow humans

and against God's creation may be renounced,

and that world leaders may lessen the threat of nuclear destruction.

We pray especially for our leaders

and all others who strive to bring peace.

(Adapted from 'Worship in an Indian Context')

Oh God, our heavenly Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named: we entrust to your loving care the members of our families, both near and far. Supply their needs; guide their footsteps; keep them in safety of body and soul; and may your peace rest upon our homes and upon our dear ones everywhere. Amen

(Frank Colquhoun)

O God,

Protect those whom we love when they are separated from us.

Guide them when they are uncertain.

Comfort them when they are lonely or afraid,

And bless them with the warmth of your presence.

Thank you that neither space nor time

Can cut us off from the love we have for each other and for you.

(Angela Ashwin)





Bishop Richard Challoner

During his lifetime and after his death, he was considered not only as a model of every virtue but as a saint. We are asked to pray that our Blessed Lord, through the Pope, may reward him further, by raising him to the altars of the Church as a Saint.

Prayer for the Beatification of Bishop Richard Challoner

O God who made your servant Richard,
a true and faithful pastor of your little flock in England,
raise him, we beseech you, to the altars of thy Church,
that we, who have been taught by his word and example
may invoke his name in heaven,
for the return of our country to belief in the Gospel,
and to the unity of all Christians in the one Church of Jesus Christ.
We ask this through the same Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Bishop Richard Challoner Pray for us

